

# Creating Sentence Variety

**Directions:** Rewrite each passage to create sentence variety. Use the suggestions in parentheses.

1. I like Mozart's symphonies. Shamari prefers Haydn's.

(**Suggestion:** Combine into a compound sentence using *and* or *but*.)\_\_\_\_\_

2. I was looking out the window last night. I saw a carriage drive by on its way to the stable.

(**Suggestion:** Avoid starting two sentences with *I*. Begin with the *-ing* form of the verb.)\_\_\_\_\_

3. I know how you can improve your grades. You can get friends together and form a study group.

(**Suggestion:** Vary by rewriting as a command and a question.)\_\_\_\_\_

4. I opened the door. The cat darted inside. She put her paws on my knee.

(**Suggestion:** Combine into one complex sentence using *when*.)\_\_\_\_\_

5. I found a fabulous new restaurant. It's on Church Street, right behind the theater. I think it serves the best desserts in town.

(**Suggestion:** Vary by combining the first two sentences. Then rewrite the last sentence as an exclamation.)\_\_\_\_\_

6. I rose this morning and felt happy. I plan to play basketball in the morning. I then plan to go to the art studio. I will have dinner at my grandmother's at the end of the day. I think it's a good life.

(**Suggestion:** Improve sentence variety any way you wish.)\_\_\_\_\_